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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

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Concise Explanation of Non-English Publication

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i), applicant submits the following concise explanation of the relevance of Chinese Patent Application CN 1110317A. This reference relates to a method of isolating microbes of interest from a natural source. In this method, the source material is mixed with sterile water or a culture medium and then extracted to obtain a solution containing microbes from the natural source. The solution is then placed in a horizontal, non-metallic cylindrical container and exposed to an electric field with specific frequency and field strength. The

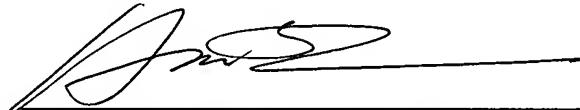
microbe of interest can then be collected from an opening in the middle of the cylindrical container.

This reference is relevant only because it describes the use of electric fields in a microbiological method. This reference, however, does not teach or suggest the claimed invention.

Applicant respectfully requests that the documents listed above be (1) fully considered by the Examiner during the course of examination of this application and (2) printed on any patent issuing from this application. Applicant also requests that the Examiner forward the enclosed duplicate copy of Form PTO-1449, duly acknowledged and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next communication.

This Statement is submitted before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), submission of this Statement requires no fee.

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